

# CONNECTED

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## Save Time, Money and Effort With Marietta Power's Online Services



Join the growing number of Marietta Power customers who use Marietta Power Online Services to pay power bills faster and easier than ever before.

The connection eliminates time-consuming trips to the post office, the cost of stamps and the uncertainty about when Marietta Power receives your payment. Plus, you can review your power consumption history for the last three years.

Please e-mail [thepower@mariettaga.gov](mailto:thepower@mariettaga.gov) to get your temporary personal identification number (PIN). Make sure you include your Marietta Power account number in your e-mail to speed up the process.

When you receive your PIN, visit [www.mariettapower.com](http://www.mariettapower.com) on the Internet. Next, click on the "Online Payment and Services" link. A screen will prompt you to enter your account number and temporary PIN. When you do, a new screen will appear requesting that you personalize your PIN.

Marietta Power will e-mail you to confirm your new PIN within minutes.

From then on, you can log onto Marietta Power's Online Services with your account number and personal PIN anytime — 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

After logging on, you can request a chart of your electric and water consumption, billing amounts and payments, going back as far as three years.

Click the "Pay Now" link to pay your current electrical bill. The system will accept VISA and MasterCard for payment. Just key in the card number you want to use, and you will get a confirmation number for your payment. Printing a copy of the screen serves as your payment receipt.

So stop adding postage to the cost of your power bill. Get "connected" with Marietta Power's Online Services link today at [www.mariettapower.com](http://www.mariettapower.com). ⚡

## Marietta Power Will Be Increasing PPA Part of the Rates

Starting on July 1, 2004, Marietta Power will increase the Purchased Power Adjustment (PPA) part of the rates in order to recover increases in the cost of power purchased from its supplier, the Municipal Electric Authority of Georgia (MEAG). Overall, the change to the PPA will result in an average increase of about five percent to customer bills.

To address peaking capacity issues for MEAG cities such as Marietta, MEAG built a new combined cycle gas-fired turbine.

Marietta Power purchased 70 mega watts (MW) of this plant to meet our future peaking power needs.

Because we have invested in our own power supply source, we will not be subject to the fluctuation of the electricity spot market prices during the hot summer months. It is our part of the cost of this new turbine that has made an increase in the PPA necessary.

Marietta Power continues to strive to keep our customers costs stable and as low as possible. ⚡

Visit Marietta Power on the Internet: [www.mariettapower.com](http://www.mariettapower.com)

# Celebrate Independence Day the Marietta Way

The City of Marietta invites you to celebrate Independence Day at Glover Park on Saturday, July 3.

The festivities will begin when the annual Freedom Parade steps off from the Roswell Street Baptist Church at 10 a.m. Event organizers have selected “America, Home of the Brave” as the theme for this year’s parade.

After the parade, Marietta Parks and Recreation will transform Glover Park and the surrounding streets into a virtual Independence Day

theme park, complete with entertainment, awards, food, carnival games, and an arts and crafts festival. The day will conclude with a concert in Glover Park, complete with a spectacular fireworks display.

Remember, this year’s Independence Day celebration in Marietta will take place on July 3 because July 4 falls on a Sunday. To find out more about the city’s fun-filled Independence Day festivities, please call Marietta Parks and Recreation at (770) 794-5601. ⚡



## Plug Into Electrical Safety Outdoors This Summer

Marietta Power encourages you to keep electrical safety in mind while enjoying outdoor activities this summer.

According to a recent estimate released by the Electrical Safety Foundation International, approximately three people die each day in electrical-related incidents in and around the home. To reduce the chances that you or a loved one could fall victim to such a mishap, please consider the following safety tips:

- ⚡ Never use electric-powered mowers and other tools in the rain, on wet grass or in wet conditions of any kind.

- 💡 Inspect power tools and electric lawn mowers before each use.
- 💡 Always use extension cords marked for outdoor use and rated for the power needs of your tools.
- 💡 Unplug all portable power tools when not in use.
- 💡 If an appliance gets wet, do not use it again until a qualified repair person has inspected it.

For more electrical safety tips, please visit [www.mariettapower.com](http://www.mariettapower.com) or [www.electrical-safety.org](http://www.electrical-safety.org) on the Internet. ⚡

### Friday, June 25

*Sock Hops (50s and 60s music)*  
Glover Park Concert Series  
Marietta Square  
8 p.m.  
Call (770) 794-5601 for information.

### Saturday, July 4

*Fourth in the Park*  
Glover Park in the Marietta Square  
Call (770) 794-5601 for information.

### Saturday, July 10

*Family Fishin' & Fun*  
Laurel Park  
Call (770) 794-5601 to preregister.

### Saturday, July 17

*Love the Loop Clean up*  
Marietta Parkway  
Call (770) 794-5606 for information.

### Friday, July 30

*Pieces of Eight (oldies music)*  
Glover Park Concert Series  
Marietta Square  
8 p.m.  
Call (770) 794-5601 for information.

### Sept. 4 through 6

*Art in the Park*  
Marietta Square  
Saturday 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.;  
Sunday 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.;  
Monday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.  
Call (770) 429-1115 for more information.

### Sept. 18

*Historic Marietta Antique Street Festival*  
Marietta Square  
9 a.m. to 5 p.m. (rain or shine)  
Call (770) 429-1115 for more information.